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**ARMED CAREER CRIMINAL SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS
ON FEDERAL GUN CHARGE**

– Four-time convicted felon

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced that four-time convicted felon **ANTWAIN PERKS**, age 26, of 5214 Poplar Level Road, Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, **was sentenced** to 15 years imprisonment in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. John G. Heyburn II, Chief Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced **Perks** to 3 years supervised release following incarceration. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system.**

U.S. Attorney Huber praised the work of the LMPD officers “for keeping an armed career criminal off the Louisville streets for 15 years.”

On March 7, 2007, **Perks** pled guilty to possession of a firearm after he had been convicted of a felony. Perks admitted that he possessed three firearms, including a Charles Daly Model DDA-10 .40 caliber pistol, a Glock Model 21 .45 caliber pistol, and a Century Arms International .45 caliber carbine.

According to the Superseding Indictment, **Perks** has previously been convicted of the following felony offenses, all in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Circuit Court: September 11, 1997, Case No. 97-CR-1854, wanton endangerment first degree; July 2, 1999, Case No. 98-CR-1761, possession of a controlled substance, first degree; February 22, 2000, Case No. 99-CR-0933, trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree; November 7, 2001, Case No. 01-CR-0913, wanton endangerment first degree.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke and was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Louisville Metropolitan Police Department.

This is a Project Backfire prosecution. Project Backfire is a cooperative effort by the Jefferson County Attorney's Office, the Jefferson County Commonwealth's Attorneys Office, the Louisville Metro Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the United States Attorney's Office to ensure that firearm offenses are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the state and federal law.

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